I am writing to express support for regulations that help the smaller, local broadband service providers stay in business in the communications marketplace. The petition filed by BellSouth to ask the FCC to stop regulating broadband service threatens local community broadband service providers. It would put the local providers at a competitive disadvantage in negotiating contracts and in pricing and may eventually make them vulnerable to losing marketshare. I am in favor of supporting local businesses that hire local people and that contribute to my community. Therefore, I request that the petition by BellSouth and similar ones by any other big companies be rejected.

Thank you, Kate Symonds Santa Rosa, CA